

THROUGH THE MAILS.
Tropical Fish Have Been Safely Trans-
ported to England.
An interesting experiment has been
made in connection with the transpor-

sation of tropical fish to this country, says the Birmingham (Eng.) Post. Acting upon instructions from Dr. Gunther, of the British museum, the superintendent of the botanic gardens in the island of Trinidad some months ago dispatched to England a small glass vessel containing about a dozen specimens of a small fresh water fish, a native of the St. Anne's river in the island. The little brood arrived safely in London and was deposited in the hands of Dr. Gunther, who is delighted with the success attained, which only shows, he says, what might be done

fish to England. It is probably the first time that West Indian fish have been exported alive to this country. These three species are taken from the kind very freely in the tanks at Kow, where Dr. Gaudier lives, so that it is possible they may become naturalized. In connection with the propagation of these fish, it is interesting to note that, in company with the common goldfish the latter fail to increase in number through the voraciousness of the little tropical ones.

A Terrible Tipple

The Mexican pulque is the worst drink on the face of the earth. It is the juice of a tree, and at first tastes like spruce beer, but after fermentation has ensued and the alcoholic principle is fully developed in the liquid it is not only extremely intoxicating, but has a most abominable putrid smell, and has robbed the animal principles of the skin in which it is kept. It is impor-

holding his nose, and after he has been imbued even a comparatively small quantity he will get drunk and stay drunk longer than on any other drink more manufactured.

Swans in England.

At one time the number of swans in England must have been enormous. Paulus Jovius, writing three and a half centuries ago, declared that he never saw a river so thickly covered with swans as the Avon in 1625, when John Taylor, the water poet, rowed from London to Christchurch, and then up the Avon to Salisbury; he was amazed at the swarm of birds on that stream.

Feasted Bees.

Every real bee-dugger in New York has had more or less experience with what are known as unmanageable buildings. They are apparently just as de-

used only for short periods. The owners are usually more than liberal to tenants, but the latter do not remain. The best buildings are those where undesirable tenants do not infrequently associate with ill luck. Sometimes they are believed to be haunted. A building at the upper end of Second avenue is an example. It apparently has many advantages for its adjoining buildings. It is the corner of a wide street and is cheerful and bright within. It is solidly built of brick, is always kept well painted and in good condition. For six months it has been vacant, and prior to that tenants moved out almost as fast as they could. The rent is low, but the other buildings, that look old and battered besides, are occupied all the time.

Royal Lap Dogs.

Mary Queen of Scots had a favorite lap dog, which is said to have been

The royal lady had been benched this faithful creature refused to leave her master's side and had to be carried out of the hall by force. At that period the dogs were the pets of men as well as of women. Dr. Polyna, a relative of the unhappy Queen Anne Boleyn, owned one "which," as it is written, "the king loved more than his life." He would grant her one wish, and in return he should have whatever he might desire. Knowing his affection for the dog, she suggested it of him, and, of course, the doctor had nothing to do but to give it to her. "And now, madam?" he said, "you promised to grant my request." "I will," quoth the queen. "Then, I pray you, give me my dog again."

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THE BLOCKADE.

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any remarks about the blockade on
the Regina & Long Lake Railroad to
this place, believing that the C.P.R.
authorities would do what was right
and ere this have the train service
regular again, but owing to the
delay in the train service that is being
made out to this district by the C.P.R.
authorities, we feel it our duty to our
country and our people to denounce
the irregular manner in which the
train service to this place has been
conducted since January last. Why
the Federal Government has allowed
such treatment to the people
of this district is a matter for
its own consideration. Two train
services has been run to Prince Albert
weekly, and for this the Federal
Government has given a cash subsidy
of \$1,600,000, or \$80,000 a year for
20 years, that is for each train service
the C.P.R. gets \$750 or for the two
weekly train services gets a little
over \$1500, and for this carry the
mail. Independent of this subsidy
the business of the road must have
been paid the running expenses.
Notwithstanding this large cash sub-
sidy paid the C.P.R. by the Govern-
ment, for at least two mail services a
week, we have only had three mail
services in eight weeks.

The C.P.R. authorities are virtually
boycotting this district, and the
question is now assuming a very
serious aspect. Business here has
been almost suspended during the
past four weeks and it may be possible
that all that is said is not idle words.
It no doubt appears to the outside
world that the district is snow bound
and frozen up. Although the snow
here this winter has been deeper than
usual, for winters past, yet the trouble
has not been in Saskatchewan
but in Assiniboia near a station
called Bonington.

There is no reason that the train
service should not have been kept
regular. It was the duty of the rail-
way authorities to see that such was
the case. Under no circumstances
whatever should this district have
been left without mail service. Tele-
grams have been sent to the Minister of
Highways and others, yet matters
seem worse now than ever. Our
people are becoming depressed and
dissatisfied, so that something must
be done and we are safe in saying
that the sooner the Federal
Government sees that the wrongs im-
posed upon us are rectified the better.
We have no hesitation in saying that
the Saskatchewan Valley for mixed
farming has no equal in the Territories.
We want fair play, and more than
that, most emphatically say, the
people are going to have it or know
the reason why. Another great
injustice to this district is the manner
in which the C.P.R. is discriminating
against it in rates. Why does the
Federal Government allow a corpora-
tion that has received and is now re-
ceiving so largely from it, to try and
crush out the existence of a flourish-
ing district, a district that fears no
opposition that is fair and honorable.
Why was the engine used on this line
and its engine taken off for over two
weeks and put on the main line to
clear the track? Why was he not on
our own line to keep it open? The
people of Saskatchewan have been
treated in a shameful manner, and we
now call upon the Federal Govern-
ment to have our wrongs redressed and
and through it demand our rights as
British subjects.

A TERRITORIAL ASYLUM.

The absolute necessity for a Terri-
torial asylum is daily becoming more
apparent. Qu'Appelle Progress, our
contemporary, seems to be of the
opinion that a suitable place for the in-
mate is becoming an urgent necessity.
The time for the erection and main-
tenance of a Territorial asylum is, in our

opinion, premature, if we are to judge
the necessity by the casualties in this
district. If every part of the Territory
is free from insanity as this district
is, it will be many years yet before such
an institution will be required for the
North-West. It may be possible that
other districts of the Territories are
afflicted to a large extent with the in-
sanity of insanity, and if such be the
case, certainly the advocating by the
"Progress" for a Territorial asylum is
justifiable. The maintenance of an
insane asylum would incur a large yearly
expenditure by the North West
Government, and such an expenditure
would only be justifiable upon the
grounds that the demand requires it.

The "Progress" further says: "The
experience of some suburban towns to
secure this as well as every other in-
stitution, has a tendency to stop the
migration from other points, and we may
thus lose, for a time at least, what is
urgently needed at the present time."
Quite correct! Every town has a per-
fect right to put forward its claim for
any public institution that may be
pushed forward in the Territories, but
only such as are within the family
circle may expect to be taken into con-
sideration. That is the system that
has been carried out by the North
West Government in the appointment
of all officials excepting the appointment
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OLD TIMERS Around the Camp Fire.

A few weeks ago one of the oldest "old timers" of Prince Albert, Mr. Chester Thompson, during a conversation with a group of old friends, made the suggestion that the seventy-odd members of Prince Albert's old-timers' club should have a reunion of their kind. The suggestion was well received, and the old-timers' club decided to have a reunion of their kind. The suggestion was well received, and the old-timers' club decided to have a reunion of their kind. The suggestion was well received, and the old-timers' club decided to have a reunion of their kind.

The toast of "Home and Country" was right royally received and happily replied to by J. F. Betts, M.L.A., who said this was a toast that met with a hearty reception in every country, and Prince Albert was no exception. He regretted that the reply to it had not fallen into better hands than his. He joined in the universal tribute of praise for the country of our adoption, and thought this reunion of the early settlers would strengthen and cement the bonds of friendship between them. On his first journey to the Northwest nothing had struck him so forcibly as the confidence displayed by all with whom he came in contact in the great future in store for Prince Albert. As he was looking forward at that time to this town being upon the main line to the C.P.R., but the Government saw fit to allow the road to be built further south and we have had to suffer thereby. He believed that owing to opposition in western Canada we are for the present deprived of the Hudson's Bay Railway, but expressed his entire confidence that this opposition would soon be overcome and with the incoming of railroads and capital we have a great future to anticipate.

Vice chairman, ette at this stage took charge of the programme, and in proposing the next toast, "The Northwest Mounted Police," paid tribute to their care and watchfulness of strangers entering the country. At Sheriff Lake in '79 when he was travelling to Prince Albert, so much interest did the police take in his affairs that they carefully removed every log and bag from his cart to see that no "danger" was concealed, and then politely put them back again.

Capt. Norman replied humorously, telling about Fargy where the police had put their wagons together and started for the western wilds where the "moose" had been ever before, and described the modes of travel, and the country traversed, by the brave adventurers to find suitable places for the pioneers to locate. H. E. Ross, sang "Cuckoo Lark" in capital style, and was loudly applauded.

The toast of the "Farmers of '79" coupled with the names of William Miller Sr., and William Spencer evoked unbounded enthusiasm. Both gentlemen gave appropriate replies. Mr. Miller thought the farmers of '79 were better than those of later years. He was one of the patriarchs of the district and referring to Capt. Norman's little joke that the police had to come along of settlement, stated that Mr. Thompson and himself were here before the police. Mr. Miller's remarks were most interesting, especially so when he stated that he believed himself to be one of the first to come from Huron to Manitoba. Having driven the entire distance from Huron country to Prince Albert, except for crossing Lake Winnipeg to Prince Albert there was not one letter from that Creek to the Saskatchewan. When a pony played out on the road, a cow replaced it in the cart and progress was kept up. He had the privilege of keeping \$15 a sack for flour in Prince Albert in the old days. Mr. Miller expressed all confidence in the future of his adopted home and resumed his seat amid great applause.

Mr. William Spencer, a hale and hearty pioneer who has seen 21 years of life in the Northwest, was loudly cheered in rising to respond to the toast of "The Farmers of '79." Mr. Spencer said he came to Prince Albert in 1871 "just about the year" he said "that the law Capt. Norman was born." He gave some interesting experiences of his life in the H. E. C's service. The Indians were happy and contented then, but were not to be trusted with anything. He had seen Buffalo so plentiful that the settlers had difficulty to keep them from destroying their hay. Mr. Spencer received an ovation on resuming his seat.

Mr. T. H. Brockton sang in customary good form, "Good King Arthur." "About Fifty Years," responded to by Mr. W. R. Gunn, was one of the most interesting of the evening. He referred in complimentary and feeling terms to the labors and influence of such early pioneers—many of whom had passed into the Great Beyond—as Rev. Mr. Nisbet, Rev. John McKay, the late Bishop MacLean, Father Andre, Dr. Porter, the late Hon. Lawrence Clarke, Mr. Dick, Capt. Moore, the late Col. Sprout, Jim Payne and Chas. Mair and others, names he considered which should be honored by the present population of Prince Albert as the best men the place had ever possessed. He also referred to Prince Albert's great loss in the death of Chief Factor Belanger.

A song by Robt. Thompson, "The Immigrant's Farewell," was the next item. Chester Thompson was called to respond to the toast of the "Mechanical Interests of Prince Albert in '79." Mr. Thompson's reply was highly humorous. He drew attention to the fact that nearly all the public offices of the town were filled by old timers. Messrs. Betts and McKay in the local Legislature, Mayor Donaldson, Town Clerk Combs, Messrs. Ross, Hamilton, Hughes, Mair and Schmidt in their respective positions, Capt. Norman in the police force, George North, as warden of the gaol, and others. After singing by warden Northgrave, of "Britannia Rules the Waves," the "Transport Service of '79" brought to his feet, Mr. Jas. Sanderson, who gave his early experience in that line with ox carts, shagwags, etc., as he had come to the conclusion that the transport of these days was more reliable than the present system. He had walked behind a cart from Fort Garry to Prince Albert and was thus conversant with the old transport system. He sang a comic song with good effect.

The toast of "Our Fellow Countrymen" was next honored, and R. H. Mair, in reply regretted that the good old days had passed away. There was lots of money, good sociability and no politics. They were indeed good times. Though the advance of civilization and the tenderfoot had not crowded the old timers out, the good old times when there was plenty

to eat and drink, lots of fun and no taxes to pay were a thing of the past. Dick made a veritable Mark Twain after dinner speech and wound it up with a recitation of much merit.

"The Traders of '79," coupled with the names of T. J. Agnew and J. R. McPhail, was proposed by vice chairman, T. Mc Kay, M.L.A. This toast was preceded by the song and chorus "Clementine." Mr. Agnew said this 5th day of April was an eventful day to him, for just 17 years ago on the 5th of April, he had left his island home over the sea with a ticket to Fort Garry in his pocket. His recollections of the days when he and his associates were called "free traders," were most interesting. The free traders had however broken the backbone of high prices. He told how when he first opened up matches he was selling at \$2.75 per box, and the late Bishop McLean having sent for a box and being informed that the price was \$1.75 said he would take two boxes, they were so cheap! Mr. McPhail gave his experience. He had started his first store in a barn. He believed these meetings would prove a source of much pleasure to the old timers and suggested that next year the ladies be given an opportunity of meeting with their husbands, sweethearts and friends.

A patriotic song by J. D. Hanftin, which followed, was one of the features of the dinner. "The Learned Professions," coupled with Dr. Reid and W. R. Gunn's names, was proposed by Mr. McKay, and the toast drunk with much enthusiasm. Dr. Reid replied for the medical profession. His speech was a running one, replete with funny stories of the early days of the settlement.

W. R. Gunn, on behalf of the profession of law, spoke as he always does in eloquent language. He expressed full confidence in the future greatness of Prince Albert and believed that although he had been deceived and cheated out of being on the line of a transcontinental railroad there was a time coming when it would be located on one and that we would also in the distant future have the M. & N. W. and H. B. Railway. Mr. Gunn referred in feeling terms to the legal pioneers of Prince Albert, some of whom had done their lives for their country at Duck Lake. He mentioned the names of Skeelington Elliot, Mr. Napier, McLean and Watson, Fitz Cochran and the late W. V. MacIsaac.

The toast of "Our Next Reunion," was heartily received and called forth a suitable reply from Mr. T. E. Baker, who concurred in the suggestion that the ladies should be given an opportunity to participate in the festivities in future. His remarks were upon old times and were most appropriate.

A voluntarily toast to T. N. Tom Campbell, drunk with hearty enthusiasm, elicited a neat reply from Mr. Campbell, who told how wishing to buy a box of shoe blacking in '79, he had sent a boy for one, giving him a dollar for the purchase, but the boy returned and said the price was \$1.25. There was no fifty cent piece in those days, nothing less than \$3 bills, and they were thought very little of. He thought perhaps if they had been valued more then, there would be more of them in the place than at present.

J. D. Hanftin, then sang an old favorite, "Overboard." Carter Thompson was called upon to tell how he changed the clothing of five or six babies at an old time dance and had their mothers hunting all around the settlement next day for their little ones.

"Mechanical Engines of '79," with the names of Wm. Drain and Arch. Ballentine evoked a hearty reception and the chair man, Mr. Reid, said he wished to be recorded as saying that Bill Drain was one of Prince Albert's bravest and best citizens. He referred in a complimentary way to Drain's services during the rebellion, and related an amusing story of Drain's first meeting with General Middleton.

Mr. Drain's reply was so droll and amusing as to fairly convulse his hearers. He disclaimed any great credit for his services in 1855, and in his own words he said he only did what he considered his duty. He had left home at the early age of fifteen with a pair of his father's pants out of the knees and a hat with no crown in it, and he was satisfied with his progress coming to Prince Albert. He had run the first threshing machine in the district for Mr. Thos. McKay and they gave away their skill and labor in those days for 12c per bushel. A high tribute from one brave man to another was Mr. Drain's statement that he had seen Mr. Thos. McKay look calmly into the muzzles of six loaded rifles in the hands of enraged foes and instead of flinching had told them they were mere wind bags. Archie Ballentine also briefly replied to the toast.

The toast of the "Millwrights of '79" was suitably replied to by Mr. Gunn and Bobby Thompson sang "Willie Brown's a Jack of Maw." The chairman now brought up the name of the late Col. Sprout and spoke in a way to sympathetic hearers of that noble, generous and public spirited citizen of Prince Albert, whose death had left a gap impossible to fill.

The toast of the "Press" was suitably replied to by C. R. Stovel, and H. E. Ross sang in good style "The Tipperary Christmas," and "The Bold Melody." The ladies were honored by Mr. McKay proposing their health and stating at the same time he regretted to see so many old timers still bachelors. He had walked four hundred miles on snowshoes to get married, and he thought there was no excuse for bachelors remaining so long a days. Messrs. Hanftin, Sutherland and Campbell made happy replies. Mr. Brooks favored the company with "Britons' never shall be slaves," H. E. Ross gave an original song, and Capt. Norman and warden Northgrave contributed to the general fun with comic

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